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1. TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING OPENED APRIL 24 WITH STATEMENTS BY PRESIDENT GARCES AND SECRETARY GENERAL PEREZ- GUERRERO (COLOMBIA). LATTER SUMMED UP SECRETARIAT' S REPORT (TDB 429) WITH ACCENT ON FAILURE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO PERFORM. BOTH INDICATED THAT TDB' S REVIEW AND APPRAISAL WOULD BE GOOD BASIS FOR FULL- SCALE 1975 MID-TERM REVIEW AND APPRAISAL. PRESIDENT' S STATEMENT WAS MORE BALANCED.

2. MORNING GROUP B SESSION HAD EXCHANGED VIEWS ON SECRETARIAT REPORT ON WHICH NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS HAD RESERVATIONS, BUT MOST FELT WAS ACCEPTABLE BASIS FOR MEETING. GROUP DISCUSSED ALTERNATIVES FOR FINAL PRODUCT OF TDB MEETING WHICH MAY TAKE FORM OF (1) PRESIDENT' S SUMMARY STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS WITH SECRETARIAT' S REPORT APPENDED OR (2) RESOLUTION OF (3) " CONCERTED CONCLUSIONS." IN ANY CASE THERE MAY BE STATEMENTS FOR THE RECORD BY VARIOUS GROUPS IN ADDITION TO THE SUMMARY REPORT OF MEETING WITH STATEMENTS BY INDIVIDUAL DELEGATIONS AS PART OF RECORD. DISCUSSION IN GROUP B CONTINUED WEDNESDAY
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AM WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILED CRITIQUE OF REPORT BY REP OECD (BLACK).

3. OUR CURRENT THINKING IS THAT WE WOULD BE BETTER OFF WITHOUT RESOLUTION. THERE IS SOME SLIGHT EVIDENCE THAT GROUP OF 77 MAY ALSO GO FOR SUMMARY STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN IN VIEW OF DIFFICULTIES OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON DRAFT RESOLUTION BUT STILL TOO EARLY TO PREDICT OUTCOME OF LDC DELIBERATION.

4. WEDNESDAY MORNING PLENARY DEVOTED TO ONE- AND- A- HALF HOUR STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR SANTA CRUZ OF CHILE. SEE SEPARATE MESSAGE. RIMESTAD

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